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SUMMARY: GOP HAS INSTRUCTED PAK DELEGATION ATTENDING

CURRENT MEETING OF UN AD HOC COMMITTEE ON INDIAN OCEAN  
ZONE OF PEACE TO POINT OUT THAT INDIAN NUCLEAR TEST  
HAS CREATED NEW SITUATION AND THAT OTHER INDIAN OCEAN  
POWERS ARE ENTITLED TO COUNTERMEASURES. GOI SPOKESMAN

ALSO CRITICIZED INDIA'S ONE-SIDED ATTITUDE TOWARD  
NAVAL PRESENCE OF GREAT POWERS IN INDIAN OCEAN. END  
SUMMARY.

1. GOP IS CONTINUING ITS VIGOROUS DIPLOMATIC CAMPAIGN  
IN WAKE OF INDIAN NUCLEAR EXPLOSION (REFTEL) WITH CALL  
FOR REVISION OF 1971 UN DECLARATION ON INDIAN OCEAN  
ZONE OF PEACE (IOZP) PAK PRESS JUNE 4 CARRIED  
FOREIGN MINISTRY SPEKESMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW  
"INSTRUCTIONS" SENT TO GOP DELEGATION ATTENDING CURRENT  
UN AD HOC COMMITTEE ON IOZP.

2. SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT GOP HAD VOTED FOR 1971 IOZP  
DECLARATION IN UNGA AND IN 1972 HAD STRESSED NEED TO  
WORK SIMULTANEOUSLY FOR ELIMINATION OF GREAT POWER  
PRESENCE IN INDIAN OCEAN AND FOR "SEMBLANCE OF BALANCE  
BETWEEN MILITARY AND NAVAL STRENGTHS OF LITTORAL COUNTRIES".  
HE COMPLAINED THAT INDIA HAD ATTEMPTED TO FOCUS ATTENTION  
OF REGIONAL STATES EXCLUSIVELY ON QUESTION OF ELIMI-  
NATING MILITARY PRESENCE OF THE GREAT POWERS FROM  
INDIAN OCEAN AND EVEN HERE HAD BEEN SELECTIVE, CON-  
CENTRATING ON DENOUNCING US PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP  
DIEGO GARCIA WHILE IGNORING "OTHER DEVELOPMENTS".  
MEANWHILE, INDIANS WERE BUILDING UP OWN FORCES AND HAD  
BECOME PROBABLY LARGEST NAVAL POWER IN THE REGION.

3. ACCORDING SPOKESMAN, PAK DEL ATTENDING CURRENT  
IOZP COMMITTEE MEETING IN NEW YORK HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED  
TO EMPHASIZE THAT INDIA'S ACQUISITION OF NUCLEAR  
WEAPONS CAPABILITY HAD FURTHER AGGRAVATED STRATEGIC  
IMBALANCE OF REGION AND TO ASSERT THAT NON-NUCLEAR  
STATES OF INDIAN OCEAN REGION "CANNOT BE REALISTICALLY  
EXPECTED TO RULE OUT OPTION OF ASSURING THEIR SECURITY  
THROUGH SOME COUNTERVAILING MEASURES" SUCH AS DEVELOPING  
THEIR OWN NUCLEAR WEAPONS OR OBTAINING SECURITY GUARANTEES  
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BY ONE OR MORE GREAT PWERS. SPEKESMAN ALSO SUGGESTED  
THAT INDIAN CREDIBILITY WOULD BE ENHANCED IF DELHI  
DENIALS OF INTENT TO PRODUCE NUCLEAR WEAPONS WERE  
MATCHED BY STRICT INTERNATIONAL SUPERVISION AND SAFEGUARDS

FOR ALL INDIAN NUCLEAR FACILITIES.

4. COMMENT: GOP CONTINUES TO USE WORLD FORUMS TO SEEK SUPPORT OF GREAT POWERS AND PERSUADED HIGH WORLD COUNTRIES, ON THIS OCCASION THE 15-MEMBER INDIAN OCEAN COMMITTEE, TO OPPOSE INDIA'S NUCLEAR PROGRAM. WIDE PUBLICITY GIVEN THESE GOP INITIATIVES SEEMS DESIGNED BOTH TO EMPHASIZE TO INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY PAKISTAN'S CONCERN AND TO REASSURE PAK PUBLIC.

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